

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for reviewing the present patent application. Moreover, Applicants acknowledge and appreciate that the Examiner has concluded claims 8-11 have allowable subject matter.

I. Rejection Under 35 USC §103

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 3-7, 12 and 13 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Derwent Abstract of Japan 62-220186.

While Applicants respectfully disagree, Applicants have amended the present patent application to expedite the prosecution of the present patent application and to further business objectives. Claim 1 now contains subject matter of claim 8 which the Examiner has concluded was in condition for allowance. In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of record be withdrawn and rendered moot.

Applicants submit that all claims of record are now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action are earnestly solicited.

In the event the Examiner has any questions concerning the present patent application, she is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at her earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,



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